

REMARKS

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated October 28, 2005 in which claims 8-13 were allowed, claims 1, 3-5, and 14-17 were rejected, and claims 2, 6, 7, 18, and 19 were objected to but indicated as being allowable if rewritten in independent form.

With this Amendment, independent claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of dependent claim 2. As a result, claim 2 has been canceled and dependent claim 6 has been amended to depend on claim 1 rather than claim 2.

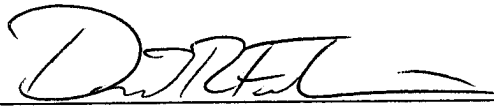
Independent claim 14 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of claim 18, which is now canceled. Claim 19 has been amended to depend from independent claim 14, rather than claim 18.

With these amendments, claims 1, 3-17, and 19 are now in condition for allowance. Notice to that effect is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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